

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1 and 2. (Canceled)

Claim 3. (Previously Presented)

The tab terminal according to claim 7, wherein said extension portion of the tab terminal is formed so that a receptacle terminal serving as the electrical connecting part is fitted to said extension portion.

Claim 4. (Previously Presented)

The tab terminal according to claim 7, wherein said first and second contact portions are soldered to solder portions of a conductor pattern formed in the printed circuit board, respectively.

Claim 5. (Previously Presented)

The tab terminal according to claim 7, wherein said tab terminal body is formed with a picked-up portion to which a pickup of a mounter is accessible.

Claim 6. (Previously Presented)

The tab terminal according to claim 7, wherein said first and second side wall portions have a height dimension such that a gap is formed between a surface of the printed circuit board to which the tab terminal is mounted and an adjacent surface of the electrical connecting part connected to the extension portion of the tab terminal.

Claim 7. (Currently amended)

A tab terminal adapted to be mounted on a printed circuit board, comprising:

a plate tab terminal body to be disposed so as to extend in parallel to the printed circuit board, said tab terminal body having one end edge and opposite side edges;

a tab portion aligned ~~an extension portion formed integrally with said~~ the tab terminal body so as to integrally extend from the one end edge of said ~~the~~ tab terminal body in a longitudinal direction of said ~~the~~ tab terminal body, said tab ~~the extension~~ portion being adapted to be connected with an electrical connecting part;

first and second ~~side wall portions~~ legs formed integrally with said ~~the~~ tab terminal body so as to extend from the opposite side edges of said ~~the~~ tab terminal body in a height direction perpendicular to said ~~of the~~ tab terminal, respectively; and

first and second feet ~~contact portions~~ formed integrally with said ~~the~~ first and second legs ~~side wall portions~~ so as to extend from distal end edges of said ~~the~~ first and second legs ~~side wall portions~~ substantially parallel to the said tab terminal body respectively, so that first and second feet forms said first and second contacts to be connected with the printed circuit board, and ~~contact portions extend at an angle slightly smaller than right angles with respect to said first and second side wall portions, respectively,~~

~~the first and second contact portions extend in a direction towards each other; and~~

~~wherein said first and second contact portions are adapted to be connected with the printed circuit board.~~

wherein said first and second feet extend in direction toward each other at an angle slightly smaller than right angle with respect to said first and second legs, respectively so that wedge-shaped gaps are defined between said first and second feet and the printed circuit board respectively, when the tab terminal is mounted on the printed circuit board.

Claim 8. (Previously Presented)

The tab terminal according to claim 7, wherein the extension portion has a width less than the width of the tab terminal body at the point the extension portion extends from the tab terminal.

Claims 9 - 13. (Canceled)